

Application No. 10/668,220
Amendment dated February 27, 2007
Reply to Office Action of November 27, 2006

Docket No.: 0941-0844P

REMARKS

Claims 1-8 remain present in this application.

The specification has been amended. Reconsideration of the application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

Claim 1 stands rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Lee et al., U.S. Patent 6,977,878. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

With regard to the 35 USC 102(e) rejection, it is noted that the present application was filed on September 24, 2003 and claims priority of Taiwan Application No. 091121854, filed on September 24, 2002. Lee et al. has a filing date of May 5, 2003, and a priority date of January 21, 2003. Accordingly, the September 24, 2002 priority date of the present application is earlier than both the May 5, 2003 filing date and January 21, 2003 priority date of Lee et al. A verified English translation of the priority document, Taiwan Application No. 091121854, is attached hereto, evidencing the Applicant's right to claim the filing date of September 24, 2003 and the priority date of September 24, 2002.

Since the priority date of the present application is earlier than the filing date of Lee et al., it is unreasonable to reject claim 1 under 35 USC 102(e). Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the 35 USC 102(e) rejection are respectfully requested.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges that the Examiner considers claims 2-8 to be allowable. In view of the foregoing remarks, it is respectfully submitted that all claims should be in condition for allowance.

Favorable reconsideration and an early Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

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Because the additional prior art cited by the Examiner has been included merely to show the state of the prior art and has not been utilized to reject the claims, no further comments concerning this document are considered necessary at this time.

In the event that any outstanding matters remain in this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (703) 205-8000 in the Washington, D.C. area.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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